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FIRST-NAMED INVENTOR: Keefe, *et al*

FOR: METHOD FOR *IN VITRO* SELECTION OF 2'-SUBSTITUTED
NUCLEIC ACIDS

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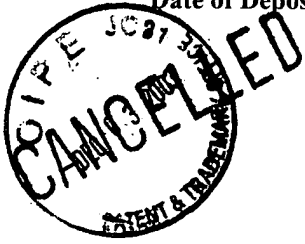
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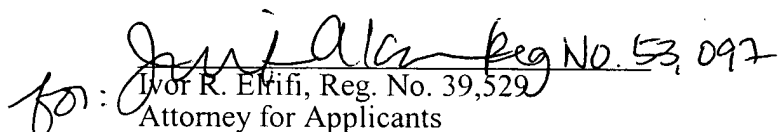
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